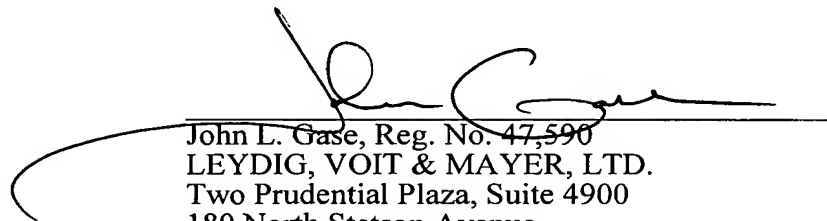


REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The claims have been amended to reduce the official filing fee by removing multiple dependencies and correct typographical errors. No new matter has been added by way of these amendments.

If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John L. Gase', is written over a horizontal line. The signature is fluid and cursive.

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